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SUBJ: PLO SENDS FURTHER LETTER ON SOUTH LEBANON

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1. PLO PERMANENT OBSERVER TERZI, THROUGH ARAB GROUP CHAIRMAN AMBASSADOR KIKHIA (LIBYA), ADDRESSED LETTER ON NOVEMBER 10 TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL ON ISRAELI ATTACKS ON SOUTH LEBANON. THE LETTER WAS CIRCULATED AS A UN DOCUMENT ON NOBEMBER 14, 1977.

2. LETTER DATED 10 NOVEMBER 1977 FROM THE PERMANENT OBSERVER OF THE PALESTINE LIBERATION ORGANIZATION TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I HAVE BEEN INSTRUCTED TO BRING THE FOLLOWING TO YOUR  
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ATTENTION:

"THE POLITICAL DEPARTMENT OF THE PALESTINE LIBERATION ORGANIZATION EXTENDS ITS SINCERE GREETINGS TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL AND WISHES TO DRAW A CLEAR PICTURE OF THE VARIOUS FACETS OF THE LATEST ISRAELI AGGRESSION AGAINST A NUMBER OF PEACEFUL TOWNS, VILLAGES, AND

PALESTINIAN REFUGEE CAMPS IN THE SOUTH OF LEBANON.

"RECENTLY ISRAEL HAS LAUNCHED RECURRENT ATTACKS IN AN ATTEMPT TO INCREASE THE TENSION OF AN ALREADY TENSE SITUATION. ISRAELI AIR RAIDS, CARRIED OUT ON THE MORNING OF 9 NOVEMBER, WERE THE CLIMAX OF SUCH AGGRESSION. SIXTEEN PHANTOMS, SKYHAWKS, AND MIRAGE WARPLANES BOMBED DENSELY-POPULATED CIVILIAN AREAS IN A NUMBER OF TOWNS, VILLAGES, AND CAMPS.

"THE LATEST AGGRESSION WAS PRECEDED BY A NUMBER OF ALLEGATIONS AND CLAIMS BY ISRAEL TO THE MEDIA IN AN ATTEMPT TO MITIGATE THE ENORMITY OF THE ATROCITY.

"SUCH BRUTAL AGGRESSION IS RELATED TO THE ISRAELI POLITICAL CAMPAIGN AIMED AT CREATING IN THE SOUTH OF LEBANON A NEW FAIT ACCOMPLI, TO BE ACHIEVED BY EVACUATING THE VILLAGES IN PREPARATION FOR DIRECT OR INDIRECT CONTROL OF THE SOUTH. THEN, THE NEW SITUATION WOULD BE USED AS A FORM OF EXTORTION, TO PUT PRESSURE ON THE ARAB COUNTRIES AND TO JEOPARDIZE PEACE EFFORTS IN THE REGION IN AN ATTEMPT TO NULLIFY AGREEMENTS BETWEEN THE LEBANESE AUTHORITIES AND THE PALESTINE LIBERATION ORGANIZATION.

"THE PALESTINE LIBERATION ORGANIZATION, IS DRAWING YOUR ATTENTION TO THESE SERIOUS ASPECTS OF THE SITUATION,  
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EXPRESSES THE HOPE THAT YOU WILL PROTEST AGAINST AND HELP PUT AN END TO THIS AGGRESSION.

"THE POLITICAL DEPARTMENT OF THE PALESTINE LIBERATION ORGANIZATION AVAILS ITSELF OF THIS OPPORTUNITY TO CONFEEY TO YOU ITS DEEPEST RESPECT AND SINCEREST GRATITUDE."

(SIGNED) ZEHDI LABIB TERZI  
PERMANENT OBSERVER

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